

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 3-4 and 7-10 are pending, with Claims 1-2 and 5-6 cancelled, Claim 10 added and Claims 3-4 and 7-8 amended by the present amendment.

In the Official Action, the Abstract was objected to; the specification was objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.77(b); Claims 1-9 were objected to; the drawings were objected to; Claims 1-2, 5-6 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Chan et al. (U.S. Patent No. 7,095,812, hereinafter Chan); and Claims 3, 4, 7 and 8 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter.

Allowable dependent Claims 3, 4, 7 and 8 are amended into independent form, including the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 3, 4, 7 and 8 are also redrafted for clarity. Amended Claim 9 and new Claim 10 are directed to a system reciting the receiver of allowable Claims 7-8, respectively. No new matter is added.

The specification are amended as requested in the Official Action. No new matter is added.

In view of Applicants' amendment to the claims, the objection to the figures is moot.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendment and in light of the previous discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable action to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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